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1. The reply brief filed 04/20/98 has been entered and considered but no further response by the examiner is deemed necessary. The application has been forwarded to the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences for decision on the appeal.
2. Also enclosed is the signed copy of the PTO- Form 1449 (Paper #16). The Examiner apologizes for the oversight in locating the required statement.
3. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Curtis Sherrer whose telephone number is (703) 308-3847. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday through Friday from 8:00 to 4:30.
4. If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, David Lacey, can be reached on (703)-308-3535. The fax phone number for this Group is (703)-305-3601.
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